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J. F. FARISH. Notary Public, City of St Louis, Mo. My term expires April 26, 1901.

SAMPLE DEFENSE.

In defending Ziegenhein the Globe-Democrat dwells on the claim that

past four years?

organ and the only defense is a resort great project as a political machine. to the Ananias tactics which have so

Board of Public Improvements, and in loafers, some streets have been paved. difference in cost between telford and upholds him. And the gang is looking for nuts as a result of these masterly campaign arguments.

CALL THE WITNESSES.

Congressman Bartholdt says that Ziegenhein, having been a good Mayor, is not a proper municipal issue.

It is a little late in the campaign, but ex-Governor Stanard and the real estate men who went with him on a certain occasion to the City Hall might be called upon to answer Mr. Bartholdt. Another delegation, composed chiefly

of physicians, made a visit to the City Hall for the purpose of laying down a few thoughts on the hospital subject. Captain Hodges, a strong Republican, explained to the City Council the workings of the Wittenberg ordinance which enabled the Mayor to give nuts to the

A Grand Jury felt constrained to urge upon the Mayor the removal of the Sup-

Many instances of payment out of public funds for work never done have

been dragged to light. Streets are dirty and in bad condifor a long period. The parks are stint-

tion. A year ago they were unlighted ed. There is not enough money for sewer repairs. But the stuffed pay rolls remain stuffed. When there is no money for material or for laboring men, the stuffed pay roll still pampers the loafers who surround Ziegenhein.

There seem to be plenty of witnesses and evidence against Mr. Bartholdt's estimate of Ziegenhein. The present administration is an issue. Parker has got the gang with him by promises and he stands for Ziegenhein. It is an issue and the issue. Call the witnesses.

PARKER THE KNOCKER.

Mr. Parker has quit posing as a friend of the World's Fair. He is silent about his contribution. Everybody now understands that he has not given a cent to the fund.

His only manifestation of interest in the Fair is his signature to a guarantee fund which involves slight risk of costing him a dollar. And that manifestation did not appear until he became a candidate for public office. Being addicted to sure things, he probably did not sign-all the testimony seems to show it-until he had been duly nominated by the machine primaries.

We are about to elect a World's Fair Mayor. If Parker is elected we rebuke | Ical history. But he sees in that fact a and ridicule the whole World's Fair movement. We put the World's Fair City, for the World's Fair period, into the hands of a "knocker" of the World's genuine Democracy. It is, to his mind,

invited to participate. What reasons Democratic and compact with loyalty SHARP CRITICISM OF can St. Louis give for appropriations in to Democratic principles.

ambition and no energy? George W. Parker, the "knocker," for World's Fair Mayor-it is absurd. His organ says that he did not subscribe because, like many others, he was American people in the two latest naafraid a World's Fair might be a curse. This organ calls his course "healthy conservatism." It is the kind of conbut lets go nothing that helps the com-

RIGHT TO THE POINT.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

Bell. Kinloch | Democracy will sorely regret a repetition of this disaster."

The correct and commendable posicampaign now under way, and which should determine the result of next sion in Democratic ranks should prevail this year to cause a repetition of the all the editor's attention, calamity of four years ago, which imto do everything possible to prevent so great a municipal misfortune.

Secretary of State Cook has charecterized in the most graphic phrase the issue of good government upon which based. The Issue of good government in St. Louis, named in its plainest terms, "is the defeat of the Ziegenhein ticket, headed by Mr. Parker." The State Democracy is united in recognition of this necessity and this duty as a necessity caused by Republican misrule and a duty that must be faced and discharged by Democrats. The St. Louis Democracy must also stand firmly and compactly in the same alignment. "What the State Democracy is hoping for" is what all good citizens in St. Louis are hoping for-"the defeat of the Ziegenhein ticket, headed by Mr. Parker." This alone will bring good government for St. Louis.

WORLD'S FAIR AND POLITICS. The persistent effort to drag politics streets paved under the present admin- into the World's Fair compels serious istration cost less per mile than streets protest. It has passed the point of tolerance and the time has come to call Naturally telford costs less than a halt. The good people of St. Louis granite or asphalt have been laid in the and brains to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition indignantly protest against Ziegenhein must be defended by his the efforts that are making to use that

The World's Fair will be in politics often served the Globe-Democrat. The from this day until the last day of the the law these officials will be paid only inspectors who never inspect, the street | Exposition, but politics must not be in cleaners who never appear except just the World's Fair for a single moment. State's business with the Fair. The vouchers and queer contracts are not things which invoives a very great dif- State board in this respect. Governor ference of fact, and the distinction Between property owners and the must be preserved. The World's Fair is in politics and will stay in politics in spite of Ziegenhein and the pay-roll order to make sure that the municipal hardly of large financial receipts. Memgovernment of St. Louis is put and Ziegenhein tries to claim credit for the kept in the hands of those who are sincerely, earnestly and zealously devoted granite blocks. His Parkerite organ to the Exposition work and committed to the reform so necessary to put St. Louis in shape to greet the people of the world when they come here in 1903. The World's Fair will not be dragged into politics, but it will be in politics from the very necessities of the situation. The World's Fair means a new St. Louis, which can never be realized unless those citizens who mean to bring it about have a great deal to do with

politics. The same considerations make it imperative that politics be kept out of the World's Fair. The stockholders of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company cannot afford to have its organization determined or shaped by consideration of the politics or the political services of those who are applicants for position. They cannot afford and they will not permit the methods or the policy of the Exposition Company to be outlined to meet the requirements or to serve the interests of any political ply Commissioner, the city's purchasing party. They will not consent that those who are selected for posts of responsibility in the World's Fair organization be chosen because they are Democrats or Republicans. They will demand that the politics of the applicants for posi-

tion shall be ignored, if not unknown. There is serious occasion for these words of protest. The observant readers of the public press will not have overlooked the evidences that some people are resolved to use the World's Fair project as a political machine. Politicians have been urged for appointment to World's Fair positions because of their Republicanism and of their party service. The legislation that may possibly be necessary in the future has been publicly announced as dependent on the result of the St. Louis election next Tuesday. It is quite unnecessary to say that these threats are futile. They will not influence the voters of St. Louis or control the management of the World's Fair.

MR. BAILEY'S TRUTHS.

Senator Bailey of Texas, in his thoughtful interview treating of present party conditions and the outlook for the future, voices the spirit of confidence which now animates all faithful members of the most truly representative American party.

The Texas Senator faces with a full realization of its significance the truth phone. that the national Democracy has encountered defeat in the two Presidential elections most recent in American politguarantee of sounder Democratic or as to the minds of all true Democrats. victory in 1904, not a menace to the as to the minds of all true Democrats. St. Louis may well decide to spare a compelling influence for unity, for the itself that astonishing attitude before presentment in the next campaign of the States and nations which are being an array that shall be unswervingly with St. Louis Democrats.

New England and Old England, in Mr. Balley is correct in his statement Germany and France, if the people here that the Democratic party, following elect a "knocker" World's Fair Mayor? the reverses of 1806 and 1900, is now Could there be a colder wet blanket on in splendid shape for its next national the enthusiasm of our well-wishers in battle, that the party is being gradually seem as if St. Louis had no faith, no and that its standard bearer in 1904 will have a united organization behind him. This will be the logical and in-

tional elections. Every Democrat of that "old-fashiened" school to which Senator Bailey servatism which is healthy for Parker now pledges his allegiance anew will Union. They will join with him in con-B. Cook in declining an invitation to to party membership, such excommuni-

BAD MEDICINE.

Nebraska is much excited over the tion thus undeniably held by Demo- election of a World's Fair Mayor in St. crats throughout the State is born of a spirit which should be the animating spirit which should be the animating spirit which should be the animating our local election.

Louis. The World-Herald does not is exercising his authority to provide for agree with The Republic's judgment on our local election.

If The Republic were to pronounce an opinion on elections in the World-Tuesday's election. No factional divi- Heraid's bailiwick it would be that local conditions there seem to deserve

On Ziegenheinism as an issue the posed upon St. Louis four years of the Democrats of St. Louis elected their most disastrous misrule known in the city ticket last fall with precisely the history of American cities. It is the plan of campaign adopted this spring. duty of every voter of Democratic lean- The disastrous management of muings, and of every independent voter nicipal affairs has disgusted good citisolicitous for the welfare of his city, zens. The Democratic party has undertaken to conduct the work of reform. The plan of this spring is a continuance of the successful plan last fall.

If Nebraska was inexorably bent upon meddling with local tickets in St. the present campaign is necessarily Louis, it should have served notice in the fall campaign when a Democratic city convention ratified a ticket agreed upon by Democrats and Independents. The superb victory which followed enabled the Democratic party of St. Louis to show Mr. Bryan and the present Governor of Missouri a gain which wiped out the Republican majority of 1896 and saved Messrs. Bryan and Dockery the mortification of a reduced Democratic majority in Missouri. If Nebraska was opposed to the course of St. Louis Democracy, then was the time to yell.

> What did Nebraska do last year? Well, to put it gently, Nebraska is not electing any Democratic or Populist United States Senators this year. Omaha exhibited heavy Republican gains in November. From all accounts the World-Herald's country is to be in the hands of the foe for several campaigns to come.

When we in St. Louis are needing political doctors for local troubles we granite blocks. How many miles of who propose to give their time, money shall not go to Nebraska. The medicine out there doesn't seem to work.

> Perhaps some of the applicants for State World's Fair commissionerships do not understand that by the terms of for time actually employed in the Dockery is not the man to permit loose possess, and other persons should realize that, though the law is slipshod. there is not much money in the job.

> Speaking of the devotion of Ziegenhein to street construction, how does it happen that a citizen of the South Side who owns all the abutting property cannot get the city's permission to build a street at his own expense?

> Is Congressman Joy speaking with authority when he virtually declares that if Rolla Wells is elected Mayor of St. Louis the Republican administration at Washington will throw obstacles in the path of the Fair?

> It's up to the city. Uncle Henry is for Mr. Parker. The Globe-Democrat is for Uncle Henry and Mr. Parker is for both. The mutual admiration society will last until next Tuesday.

Owing to the frosty temperature in Ziegenheinism's main tent the gang now invites you into the Meriwether-

In the last ditch the Globe-Democrat raises the black flag of Ziegenheinism and shouts defiance to all who fight for good government.

That malodorous taint attaching to

the Globe-Democrat these days is due to the dead election law Issue concealed Mr. Parker raised the wages of his street car employes after he became a candidate for Mayor. Did he join the

Every time old Ananias smokes up, visions of miles and miles of broad boulevards constructed by Uncle Henry float before the sight.

World's Fair guarantee fund at the

Sam Cook says it's a St. Louis Democrat's first duty to defeat Ziegenheinism-and that's straight Democratic doctrine.

Your vote for the library proposition

means a \$1,000,000 Public Library for St. Louis at no additional cost to tax-Mr. Parker is dumb concerning his World's Fair subscription, but he shouts "Nuts for the boys!" like a mega-

If there is no reason for Mr. Parker to be ashamed of his World's Fair subscription, why is he so ashamed of it?

"Tub" Becker is doubtless willing to pay Altgeld and Dave Ball's expenses out of Parker's campaign slush fund.

Chicago Democrats repudiated Altgeld, and he is in no better standing

WORLD'S FAIR BOARD.

William E. Curtis, wiring from Washington to the Chicago Record, says:
"It was the intention of Congress that the National Commission at the St. Louis Ex-America and Europe? Would it not cemented, that its wounds are healing position should properly represent the great industries of the country, but there is nothing to prevent the President from turning it into an old man's home. Nine Commis-sioners are to be appointed, and if the list evitable result of the party's failure to win the successful support of the only two can be considered representative men, and only three are qualified for the duties they are to perform. A member of the Cabinet, in defending the President's selections, ex-plains that he is simply accepting the rec-ommendations of the members of the Sena.e and the House of Representatives, who created the commission, and, according to join with this faithful Texas Democrat in the hope that the next national ticket will pell every Democratic vote in the Tailon Theory with him in con-"What the State Democracy is hoping for," writes Secretary of State Sam cation of men who have a creed-right to exercise his authority and protect the Exposition against office-seeking politicians attend the Meriwether mass meeting, cation being based on an assumption of priation for the support of the autocratic power. It is the "old-fash-net competent, if the President would take headed by Mr. Parker, A divided loned" Democracy which must prevail the trouble he could find plenty of men representing agriculture, manufactures, mining, electricity, forestry, the fisheries, the arts and sciences, education, transpor-tation, literature, ethnology, history and the other fields of activity which are to be illustrated at the Exposition, and make an ideal organization, but he has yielded to the importunities of his political supporters and

> success of the Exposition and the welfare of the country. "It is understood that Mr. Flory, the Re-publican candidate for Governor of Mis-souri at the last election, who was hotly pressed by the Missouri delegation in Con-gress for a place on the commission, has withdrawn from the contest, with an assurache that he will be appointed secretary, and Mr. Ro-lenberg, whose appointment was urged by the Illinois delegation, has been taken care of at the expense of the Civil Service Commission.

"It is difficult to speak with patience con cerning this appointment. Mr. Rodenberg's qualifications for the place were not taken into account. The interests of the public service were not considered. The only idea was to find a tob for a member of the House of Representatives who was defeated for re-election, and to relieve the Presed for re-election, and to relieve the fres-ident from embarrassment by reducing the number of candidates for the St. Louis Exposition. Mr. Rodenberg may turn out to be an ideal Commissioner, but the Presi-dent has taken a good many chances in appointing a man to enforce a law that he does not believe in.

"As stated in the Record yesterday, Mr. Rodenberg was one of the seventy-seven members of the House of Representatives members of the House of Representatives who voted to deprive the Civil Service Commission of the means for its support when the annual apprepriation bill was pending in the House of Representatives. The President can find his action set down in the Congressional Record of February 17 last, page 1905. This was equivalent to a vote to abolish the commission, and the merit system of appointment in the civil service, and we must assume that Mr. Rodenberg was sincere. His character and disposition, therefore, may be judged by his acceptance of a responsibility in which he has no into enforce a law he does not believe in, and to promote a system to which

now use his influence to promote the in-terests of the Cullom wing of the Republican party in Illinois, and the election of Comptroller Dawes to the United States

MANDE-DUCATS SUPPRESSED.

before primaries and elections, the false

There is a distinction between the two board is like any other supervisory

MacArthur Approves Sentence of sknown to all the fashionable West End the Ringleaders.

Dockery is not the man to permit loose construction of expense accounts. The position will be one of dignity but hardly of large financial receipts. Members of the Legislature should be satisfied with the dignity they already pressess and other pressure should made the district of the insurgent General of the district. that district.

Captain August MacManus of the Thirty-third Volunteer Infinity third Volunteer Infantry, who secured the conviction of these Mande-Ducat leaders, has been highly complimented for his work.

HARPER FEARED INSANITY.

Illinois Man Engaged to Be Married Kills Himself.

Decatur, Ill., March 27.—Fred Harper, 24, shot himself Tuesday night. He died instantly. He was well off inancially and had no reason for the act. A note left said he was afraid that he would go insane. Ho was engaged to be murried. was engaged to be married.

To the Editor of The Republic.
St. Louis, March 27.—I ask permission to say a few words, through the columns of the journal he so long and faithfully served. in remembrance of an old and valued friend

-the late Mr. George Brown. When I took charge of the City Depart ment of the Missouri Republican, in March, 1869, Mr. Brown was one of the members of the reportorial staff, and had been for several years. Our acquaintance began then, and soon deepened into a friendship which continued to the end. He was my room-mate in the old Lucas building, on the corner of Main and Chestnut, for some time: and, though latterly our paths have di-verged and we met but seldom, the friendship between us never ceased or chilled. I think I knew him as well as any one out-side of his immediate family and daily associates, and I can truthfully say that I have never known a more honest and honorable man than George Brown. He was one of those rare men who have given me a higher opinion of human nature. He could be de-pended upon at all times and under all circumstances. I do not think he ever made a promise that he did not keep, if it were possible to do so. I am sure he never made a statement that was not true to the best of his knowledge and belief. He was a man of fewest words-I have never known one so reticent as he-but every word had a meaning and meant what it said. He deserved and received the respect of all who knew him, and with those who knew him longest and best the respect became something equivalent to affectionate admiration. In earlier days he never seemed able to get enough of work, and never complained of or unpleasant, to which he was assigned. And he literally died in the harness, faithful and conscientious to the last in the dis charge of every duty-leaving a name with-out blot or blemish, and an example of sterling character worthy of all imitation THOMAS DIMMOCK.

Appointments by the Governor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 27.—Governor Dockery Wednesday made the following Dockery Wednesday made the following appointments:

Hugh Dabbs of Joplin, Judge of the Circuit Court of the Twenty-fifth Judicial Circuit, created by the last General Assembly.

M. G. Kennedy, Grundy County, Honorary Commissioner to the Pan-American and Charleston Expositions.

Beer Inspector Crenshaw announced John J. Downey as the fourth appointee as Beer Inspector.

Death of John Houston

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Wenona, Ill., March 27.—John Houston, one of the oldest citizens of Wenona, and well known in Grand Army circles, died Wednesday afternoon of pneumonia. Died While Attending Court.

PUBLIC SPECIAL onham, Tex., March 27.—Eb Early, minent citizen of Fannin County, de Tuesday night of pneumonia. It is resided at Ladonia and was here ling court when taken sick.



D. E. THOMPSON,

Nominated by the Republican caucus of the Nebraska Legislature for the Short Term in the United States Senate, but not yet elected.

APOLLO CLUB CONCERT ON APRIL 9—PERSONAL NOTES.

Miss Lillian May Arnheiter to Be Married April 16 to Alex. T. Averill.

Interest is lively in the third and lust Apollo Club concert of the season, which is announced to take place on Tuesday evenlieve in, and to promote a system to which he is opposed.

"Mr. Rodenberg's character may also he judged by the fact that he was a follower of John R. Tanner when he went into Congress and a follower of Shelby M. Cullom when he came out. The downfall of Tanner when he came out.

Fantasie-Faust ... Wieniawski
Abendlied ... Schumann
L'Abeille ... Schubert
La Ronde des Lutins ... Bazzini Mrs. E. T. Price of the Southern Hotel

entertained her euchre club of ladies yes

Mrs. Oliver Filley of London, England, set, is visiting Mrs. John David Davis, No. 51 Vandeventer place. Mrs. Davis entertained last Friday afternoon with a reception for Mrs. Filiey, inviting all the guest's old friends to meet her, from 4 to 6. Mrs. Moore and Mrs. L W. Morton reand the Misses Nellle and Ethel Richards

served On Monday afternoon Mrs. Amos W. Thayer, No. 3638 West Pine boulevard, gave a tea for Mrs. Filley, with Mrs. Jesse January to assist in receiving.

Announcement is made of the approaching marriage of Miss Lillian May Arnheiter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnheiter of No. 5875 Von Versen avenue, to Mr. Alex. T. Averill, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Averill of Goodfellow and Cabanne avenues. The ceremony will take clock, at Immanuel Baptist Church. The Reverend Doctor B. P. Fullerton will officiate. Miss Arnheiter is a member of the Cabanne Informal Club, and will entertain the club at her home on Saturday after-

ENTERTAINMENT PLANS

At the concert given by the United States Marine Band at the Collseum Friday even-ing Miss Amy Whaley, the soprano, will sing. She is the official soloist with the band in its present tour. Here is the pro-

National Anthem-The Star Spangled Ban-

Havlin's next week. The play's title is "A Man From the West," and Jeffries has the mann.)

Military Episode (Introducing a national air.)

Waltz Song—Freeting Days. Baile

Miss Amy Whaley.

(a) Caprice—Ripple Dance Friedma
(b) March—General Heywood Santelman

Hungariah Rhapsody No. 2 Lisz

Mr. E. S. Willard, excellent actor that he be seen in an extensive repertoire, "A Si-



MISS AMY WHALEY.

lent Woman," and "David Garrick," "The Middle Man," "The Professor's Love Story" and "Tom Pinch."



MISS LILLIAN MAY ARNHEITER, Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnheiter of No. 5875 Von Versen avenue, who will be married to Alex T. Averill on April 16.

given on the last Tuesday of April, will meet with Conductor Kroeger for rehearsal Thursday evening, at the Odeon, in stead of Friday evening, as previously an-

Mrs. Adolph Bernd, No. 5559 Cabanne ave auc, entertained several friends with an informal "kaffee" on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. William Carey Teasdale has sent ou invitations for the marriage of his daughter, Susan Blanche, to Mr. David Sharpe Ralston, on Monday evening, April 8, at 8 o'clock, at Third Baptist Church. A reception will follow the ceremony from 9 to 11 at the Teasdale residence, No. 4115 Lindel boulevard. The at-home days announced are the second and third Mondays in Oc tober at No. 4115 Lindell, as the bridegroom, who are to spend the summe traveling, will be in St. Louis for isit early in October. They will live in

"The Fast Mail," one of the most realistic

James J. Jeffries is to be the attraction at

part of a good-natured, honest and fear-

"Hearts of Oak" is arranged for next

The gentlemen who are to assist the Portland, Ore.

Ludwig, and Mr. Sheehan and Mr. Davis may be heard as Rhadames. AT LOCAL THEATERS. Harry Lacy, in Towers & Potter's big re of that stirring melodrama, "The Still

Alarm," will be next week's attraction at the Century Theater. Lacy will play his original creation of Jack Manley, fireman. of melodramatic productions, will be on the stage at the Imperial next week. As its title indicates, there is much about rall-

less Sheriff from Montana.

week at the Grand Opera-house. This is one of the favorites of the James A. Herne dramas. The story is full of pathos, but is supplied with much comedy here and Will H. Murphy is making fun at th Columbia this week. His sketch is called "The Bifurcated Girl." Eugene O'Rourke,

roads in the play.

assisted by Nellie Elting, offer a comedi-etta called "Parlor A." Others that are worth while are on the bill. The American Burlesquers and Gus Ruhlin will be at the Standard Theater next week. The opening burletta. "Levy in Japan," is on the musical extravaganza

A telegram has been received from Mr. C. L. Graff of the Sembrich Opera Com-pany, saying that on account of Mme. Sembrich's illness, the tour of the company will be canceled. Mme, Sembrich and company were to have appeared here at the Ode

Arrangements have been made for two more concerts by the Theodore Thomas Orchestra at the Odeon on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, April 23 and 24.

Mr. Ernest Seton-Thompson, with his photographs of wild animals, and his intimate knowledge of their manners and habits, will lecture at the Odeon on Satur made from photographs taken by Mr.

Next Thursday evening the Choral-Sym phony Society will give its tenth and last concert for the season at the Odeon. Gounod's popular oratorio, "The Redemp-tion," will be given.

Middle Man," "The Professor's Love Story" and "Tom Pinch."

At the Sunday afternoon concert at the Odeon Miss Mae Estelle Acton will be the principal soloist, and will sing the arias "Philemon and Baucis," by Gounod; "Oh, Grief Worn Eyes" by Massenet, and a group of songs.

HOLDS THAT WHISKY TAX IS VALID.

Attorney General's Opinion on Constitutionality of Act Passed by Assembly.

OPPOSED BY LIQUOR DEALERS.

Governor Has Been Asked to Disapprove Measure by Interests Directly Affected-Alcohol Exempt.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL,
Jefferson City, Mo., March 27.-Since the passage of the Hamilton whisky bill, the liquor dealers, wholesale druggists and other interests of the State have been making strenuous efforts to induce Governor Dockery to disapprove the bill on the ground that it is unconstitutional and applies to every distilled liquor. Governor Dockery requested an opinion regarding the bill and its provisions from Attorney General Crow-Following is the opinion turnished the Governor by the Attorney General:

Governor by the Attorney General:

To Governor A. M. Dockery, Jefferson City, Mo.: Dear Sir-Keplying to your letter of the Sith inst., asking my opinion concerning House bill No. 608, entitled "An Act to Provide for a State Licenso Tax on Distilled Liquors, including Whisky, Brandy, Rum, Gin and Distilled Spirits of All Kinds, Wines and All Kinds of Vinous Liquors; to Create the Office of Special License Commissioner and to Provide for the Appointment, Thereof by the Governor," I will say that I think said act is valid and constitutional and a legitimate exercise of the police powers of the Nate.

I do not believe that Hiquors manufactured in this State and shipped into other States for sale theirs are subject to the provisions of this bill. It has no application of Hiquors manufactured and sold for transportation and use in other States. The language is plain and unequivocal upon that point.

It is also my opinion that a fair and reasonable construction of the bill will exclude from its provisions pure alcohol sold in this State or use in manufacturing and other similar purposes.

Wording of Messure Considered.

The general words of the bill might be sufficient to include alcohol, but in constraing words the connection in which they are used, the objects had in view by the Legislature and the general purposes of the act must be considered, it will be observed that section 4 uses the general purposes of the act must be considered, it will be observed that section 4 uses the general term, "distilled liquors," and then proceeds further to sweetly whisky, brand, gin and rum. "It has been held that alcohol is an ingredient and quality of vinous and spiritous liquors of all kinds, but alcohol specifically is neither the one nor the other. It is a distinct thing."—Lemley vs. The State, 70 Mississpipt, 241.

The words "distilled liquors" in certain connections and in other statutes do undoubtedly include alcohol, but, in my judgment, in view of the fact that the particular kinds of distilled spirits to be affected by its provisions are specified in this bill, and considering the objects and purposes sought to be accomplianted by the Legislature, the general words "distilled liquors" should not so be construed in this bill as to include pure alcohol sold for use in manufacturing and similar purposes. This is a police regulation and should be enforced as such.

There can be no discrimination against wines imported from other States—hence, the proviso added to section 22 exempting domestic wines from the provisions of the bill makes it inoperative as to all whose, whether manufactured in this or other States.—Ternan vs. Rinker, 102 U. S., 123. Very truly yours.

EDWARD C. CROW, EDWARD C. CR Wording of Measure Considered.

FREE CUBA THE ONLY SOLUTION

Representative Stevens Says Annexation Is Out of the Question.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, March 27.—Representative Stevens of Minnesota, a member of the Committee on Military Affairs, has just returned from a trip to Porto Rico and Cuba, his visit having been of longer duration than the other members of the party, which left New York March 6. Mr. Stevens takes a different view from the majority of Rep-resentatives who have visited the islands. In his opinion nothing less than free Cuba will solve the problem of dealing with that In his opinion nothing less than free Cuba will solve the problem of dealing with that island. Mr. Stevens says that the commercial conditions which must be established between Cuba and the United States will eventually make the establishment of an American protectorate or annexation impossible and altogether out of the question. "Cuba," said Mr. Stevens, "can produce four-fifths of the sugar consumed by the United States. Those people can produce sugar at little more than one-half the cost that the American beet sugar can be produced, and at a great deal less than the cane sugar of our Southern States can be manufactured. The beet sugar industry of our country is already attaining very substantial proportions. I have just been looking over the special census bulletin prepared on that subject, and was surprised to find how extensive this industry has become during the last few years.

"We should place the responsibility upon them of local government, as embodied in the Platt amendment, with possibly some modifications. The business and commercial interests are looking to us to deal very liberally with the natives—the laboring and peasant classes—and at the same time open up our markets to the competition of labor worth less than half of what is paid in the United States, and to place some of our growing industries in open competition with those where nature deals with a liberal, if not a most lavish, hand. I believe the Platt amendment will be accepted."

HARRIS MAY IGNORE BAUTZER. Duel Challenge Results in Much Advertising.

Excitement was still at its height in Clayton Wednesday over the challense to a duel issued by Editor E. F. Bautzer of the St. Louis County Advocate to Steve J. Harris of the Clayton Argus. The probability of the duel taking place and a comparison of the points of the two men were themes of general discussion.

The duel will not be fought for several days, if it is fought at all, as Mr. Harris intends to take things easy. He has not formally replied to Mr. Bautzer's challenge, and probably will not, preferring to let matters take their course. His friends say that he will ignore the challenge.

Mr. Bautzer is still in a belligerent mood and says that he will not permit any one to reflect on his honesty. If nothing else, he is getting some advertising out of it, as he received a request from a Chicago newspaper for his photo and a statement of his side of the case.

St. Joseph Painters May Strike. REPUBLIC SPECIAL REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Joseph, Mo., March 27.—The Journeymen Painters have announced that they will strike April 1, if their wages are not increased from 20 to 35 cents an hour. The Boss Painters say they will not stand the raise. Both sides have held several meetings, and serious trouble is expected.

Courthouse Plans Accepted. Courthouse Plans Accepted.
REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Taylorville, Ill., March 27.—The Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors of Christian County met here Wednesday and accepted plans for a new Courthouse to be erected here immediately. The old Courthouse was torn down last fall, since which time the City Hall has been used for a Courthouse.

SAID IN JEST.

Theory and Practice. 'Tis by the things that make us tired. That we are chiefly blest, For if 'twere not for these we ne'er Should know the bliss of rest.

These lines the poet wrote and sold Them quickly as he could; And with the coin thus got he hired A man to saw his wood.

"I never saw anybody so anxious to outdo everybody else as the one who lives next door," exclaimed the woman with the quick, energetic walk.
"You seem to like her society very much."
"Not I. I was simply trying to take her down
a peg. Why, would you believe it, she stood
there for half an hour trying to convince me she
has more family troubles than I have."—Wash-

Mrs. Von Blumer: "I don't know what we shall to about that cook."

Von Blumer; "What's the matter now?"

"She threatens to stay."—Life.

Just So-Little Elmer (who has an inquiring mind): "Papa, what is conscience?"
Professor Broadhead: "Conscience, my son, is the name usually given to the fear we feel that other people will find us out."—Harper's Bazar.

"I suppose," said Adam, as he began the task of cataloguing the animals, "I ought to put my-self down as exhibit A.".